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**HARDING**  
U N I V E R S I T Y



## HOME EC DEPT. SPONSOR STYLE SHOW TONIGHT

Local Merchants Cooperate By  
Furnishing Accessories For  
Models. Miss Pauline Owen  
Directing Review

A style review will be presented  
by the Home Economics department  
under the direction of Miss Pauline  
Owen, with the cooperation of the  
merchants of Searcy, in the au-  
ditorium at eight o'clock Tuesday  
evening.

The setting for the evening will  
be a gracefully draped room banked  
with many ferns.

The master of ceremonies  
throughout the evening describes  
each gown as the model appears. A  
wide selection is offered in color,  
texture, and line of materials as  
well as frocks for different occa-  
sions.

Those modeling are members of  
the advanced clothing class and will  
appear under multi-colored lights  
in their own creations. The acces-  
sories shown are furnished by the  
following shops: J. C. Penny & Co.,  
The Ideal Shop, Powell & Co., and  
Kroh's Ladies' Wear.

As the review progresses soft  
music will be furnished by mem-  
bers of the music department.

The models are Eva Thompson,  
Aletatrice Freeze, Iva Farris, Mar-  
garet Mills, Evelyn Chesshir, Vir-  
ginia McDaniel, Wallana Floyd, Ver-  
nice Burford, Mary Alberta Ellis,  
Verle Craver, Maude Emma Webb,  
Lola Harp, Lillian Walden, and  
Mary Charlotte Bates.

## Art Club Makes Plans For Social Activities

Discussions and illustrations of the  
lives and works of two artists form-  
ed the program for the January 10  
meeting of the Art Club in the stu-  
dio.

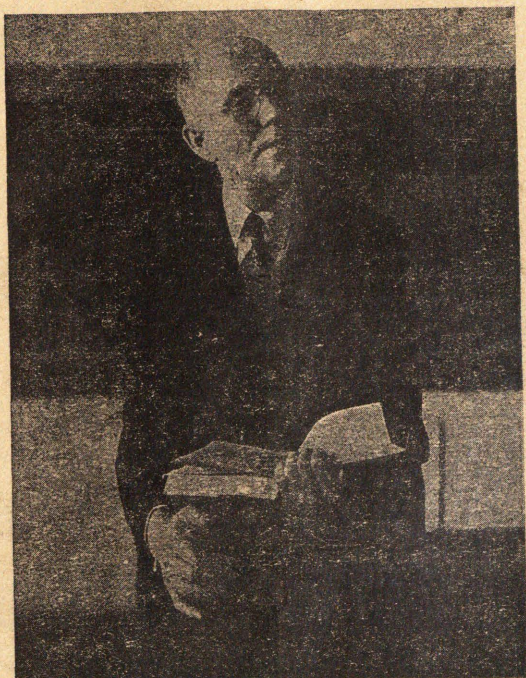
Further items before the club  
were the adoption of a club pin, a  
regular tea party meeting on Sun-  
day afternoon, and an appoint-  
ment of a foods committee chair-  
man.

Barbara Keeler and Nanci Isaacs  
gave the reports concerning two  
men unique in the arts of today.  
Barbara illustrated her talk on Die-  
go Rivera with color plates of some  
of the more famous of his frescoes  
and murals, and Nanci's report on  
Louis M. Eilshemius was enlivened  
by his unusual life.

Plans for a Sunday afternoon  
tea party for all art students were  
completed with the appointment of  
Florence Marsh as chairman of the  
foods committee. The party will be  
held in the Art Studio at four o'-  
clock Sunday afternoon with the aim  
of meeting and initiating new and  
prospective members of the Art  
Club into the group. Mrs. Maxie T.  
McCullough, sponsor of the club,  
stated that she wanted the Art room  
to be a den for the members to  
feel free to use for recreational pur-  
poses on Sunday afternoons.

Thirteen of the fifteen members  
present voted to adopt a club pin  
in the shape of a pallet and brush  
with the initials of the club on it.  
This is the first insignia that the  
club has adopted since its organi-  
zation.

## Even Though It's Now Six Years Old This Feature Is Still Right On Bro. Rhodes



(Reprint from May 25, 1934 issue  
of The Bison)

By Beverly Waters

Benjamin Franklin Rhodes is his  
name, but few students know it.  
He is "Pappy" Rhodes to the stu-  
dents. The term "Pappy" is not  
indicative of flippancy, indeed no, it  
is indicative of respect and love.

His colleagues and his students  
both admire and love him, he takes  
a fatherly interest in them all. He  
is like a lovable parent whose chil-  
dren have affectionately dubbed him  
"Pappy."

He is a dried up little man, phys-  
ically, bowed beneath the load of  
many years. He stumbles about  
from place to place, yet it is not  
unusual to see him actually trot-  
ting about the campus on his way  
to and from classes. He is never  
late.

He is big spiritually and still  
growing. He has devoted his life to  
a worthy cause and has done im-  
measurable service to the portion  
of mankind with which he has con-  
tacted. His character is impeach-  
able.

He is an amazing bunch of con-  
tradictions, being at once, lovable,  
friendly, always ready to talk. He  
is comical and pathetic. He is al-  
ways precise in his habits, but at  
times a trifle absent minded. His  
eyes have dimmed with the years  
and yet, there aren't many things  
that escape his notice.

It is impossible to be gloomy  
around him. When you look up and  
see his bald head shining, his blue

eyes twinkling, an accompaniment  
to his broad grin, you automatically  
smile with him.

He has an acute sense of humor  
and is forever telling some droll  
anecdote to illustrate his point. His  
dry wit, delivered with an owlish  
stare through his spectacles is ir-  
resistible. His own appreciative  
chuckles are in themselves provo-  
cative of laughter.

He loves athletics, he was seen at  
all of our basketball games last  
year, neatly dressed, complete with  
hat (which he is never without).  
He is a rabid baseball fan and one  
suspects that he would be a ra-  
cious one if his vocal cords would  
stand the strain. He offers some dry  
comment on each play and asks a  
million questions during the game,  
but it is a pleasure to answer them,  
he is so serious and enjoys it so  
much. He feels the loss of a game  
just as keenly as any of the players,  
he is just as exultant over a win,  
as any fan. He is one of us, perhaps  
that's one reason everyone loves  
him.

He is an excellent instructor in  
his chosen field. He has spent a  
life time in study and is still at it  
at 65 (71 now). Of course, his class-  
es are popular with the students.

He, above all, is a success; not in  
terms of money; not in terms of  
fame; but in life. He has reared an  
admirable family, he is occupied by  
his chosen work; he is happy. He is  
a truly lovable man. He loves and  
is loved by all. The term "Pappy"  
(Papa back in '34) is not merely a  
name—it is a title.

## Many Students Ill In Dorms

Harding College has been invaded  
with the "flu" and head colds for  
the past week. To date there have  
been thirty cases of influenza and  
colds. Much of the sickness has  
been caused by the damp weather  
that has prevailed here. Through  
the efficient service rendered by the  
nurse, Mrs. Alma Larkins, there have  
been no long lay-ups in bed. One  
day during the past week, there  
were eighteen cases to be attended  
by her.

Names of those who have had  
the sickness are: Lee Farris, Nell  
Felker, Granville Westbrook, Cortez  
Ehl, L. D. Frasier, J. C. McCaleb,  
Reagan Yarbrough, Elinger Stough,  
Lloyd Brents, Henry Ewing, Ro-  
bert Rainwater, Murrey Wilson,  
James Adams, Leland Waters,  
Reese Walton, Olive Fogg, Frances  
Williamson, Iris Merritt, Bill Laas,  
Estel McCluggage Helen Snow, Mil-  
dred O'Banion, Teddy Murphy, Lea  
Barr, Edith Hullet, Excell Berry-  
hill, Margaret Lakatos, Ruth Lang-  
ford, Clifton Ganus, and Mr. Leo-  
nard Kirk.

## College Club To Have Constitution

The College Club, consisting of all  
boarding students and faculty mem-  
bers, met Friday night in the au-  
ditorium to discuss problems con-  
fronting the group. President  
George S. Benson presided over the  
meeting.

Speeches were made by Mrs. A. B.  
Chandler, dietician, Mrs. J. P.  
Thornton, dining hall supervisor,  
Miss Elsie Mae Hopper, coordinator,  
Miss Pauline Owens, Home Eco-  
nomics instructor, and Houstin Itin,  
dining hall and kitchen club pre-  
sident.

The type of food, service, and  
price of food were the main topics  
of consideration. Mrs. Chandler  
stated, "If you cooperate with us  
then we'll all be happy."

The meeting closed with the elec-  
tion of Lamar Baker to serve with  
Mrs. Florence Cathcart and Presi-  
dent Benson on a committee to form  
a constitution for the club.

## MRS. ARMSTRONG SELECTS CAST IN RANK OUTSIDERS

Play To Be Presented For First  
Time In Searcy. Mrs. Arm-  
strong Gives Historicall Back-  
ground Of Play

By BUCK HARRIS

For the first time since Harding  
College has been at Searcy, Mrs.  
J. N. Armstrong plans to produce  
her unique and interesting play  
"The Rank Outsiders." Picking a  
cast from the "cream of the stu-  
dent dramatists," Mrs. Armstrong  
plans to give this play to aid in  
the purchase of recording equip-  
ment, badly needed by various de-  
partments of the school.

Since no definite date has been  
set for the production, I asked Mrs.  
Armstrong to give me some de-  
tail on how she came to write such  
a play and a bit of the history back  
of it, so here it is:

Twenty-four years ago 13 stu-  
dents came into Mrs. Armstrong's  
study and requested that she write  
a play for them. She agreed on  
the condition that they would give  
some ideas on what they wanted  
and a plot outline for it. Exactly  
30 days later, Cline Sears (Dean L.  
C. Sears) came back with a plot for  
her. Receiving the plot, Mrs. Arm-  
strong went up to her room and re-  
mained there 4 days writing on the  
play. Interruptions were made only  
as Pattie (Mrs. L. C. Sears) brought  
her meals and set them inside the  
door.

"That was when Cline and Pattie  
were going together rather stead-  
ily," Mrs. Armstrong stated, "And  
Cline was working in a print shop  
during the summer months."

The play has made several ap-  
pearances and each time was re-  
ceived with tremendous success.  
Presentations at Harper, Cordell,  
and Morrilton were among those  
to make the production famous.

"I have selected the cast," Mrs.  
Armstrong replied when asked who  
were the cast, "but I can't reveal  
them as yet. I have picked those  
who have shown dramatic talent  
and those I think will fit the parts  
I have written."

In the years past several famous  
Campus Papers and Harding stu-  
dents have had roles in this play.  
Among those are Dean and Mrs. L.  
C. Sears, Dr. and Mrs. George S.  
Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stapleton,  
Mrs. J. E. Bartley (nee Florence  
Lowery), Mrs. Paul Falkner (nee  
Addie Dee Tankersley), Mrs. Clyde  
Watts (nee Sammie Sue Mason),  
Mrs. Pratt Deese (nee Gertrude  
Paine), Robert and Martha Neil,  
Rheba Stout Berryhill, Albert Haw-  
kins, and Geraldine Rhodes.

"The play is as modern as the  
campus boys and girls of today,"  
concluded Mrs. Armstrong. "Love,  
jealousy, and all of the  
modern angles will be found in it.  
It is definitely not a tragedy."

Mrs. Armstrong's enthusiasm is  
very impressive. One would think  
that this is her first production  
and that the "new" of play directing  
hasn't worn off yet, which in reality  
really hasn't for her, even though  
she has devoted several years to  
this type of work. First rehearsal  
of the play is scheduled for this  
afternoon.

## Late News!

The photographer will be here all  
day tomorrow to take annual photo-  
graphs for the last time. His studio  
will be in the The Bison office as  
usual. Everybody who has not had  
his picture taken is urged to do so  
tomorrow.

## Poetry Clubbers Officially Open Annual Contest

### Press Club Takes Six New Writers

Six new members were admit-  
ted into the press club at its  
regular meeting Tuesday night.  
Each new member must write  
at least twenty-five inches in  
six weeks if he remains in the  
club.

Buck Harris welcomed the  
new members. They are Mac  
Timmerman, Virginia McDaniel,  
Paul Shira, Valda Mont-  
gomery, Mildred Dawson, and  
Robert Rainwater.

This brings the total mem-  
bership of the group to thirty-  
nine.

### New Members Added To Music Groups This Term

Mrs. Florence Jewel, instructor  
of voice, announced the new mem-  
bers at the first meeting of the  
girls' glee club of the new term.

The new members are Dorothy  
Ryburn, Ollie Mae Fogg, Madeline  
Stone, Loraine Evans, and Marjorie  
Lynch.

Mrs. Jewel enthusiastically ac-  
claimed the progress made thus  
far by the girls' glee club and  
stated that preparations was being  
made for a program soon.

Leonard Kirk, director of mixed  
chorus, announces the following new  
members: Marguerite Crum, Esther  
Harner, Dorothy Hinds, Nell O'Neal,  
Ruth Hill, Dillon Thomas, Henry  
Ewing, Theron Smith, Lee Farris,  
Byron Bedwell, Bill Laas, Paul  
Shira, Blonnie Fitzgerald, Mary  
Brown, Maurice Hinds, Pauline  
Raylene Thornton and S. F. Tim-  
merman.

### Mrs. C. C. Snow On Grade School Faculty

Mrs. C. C. Snow, who received  
her A.B. degree from Drury College,  
Springfield, Missouri, and her Mas-  
ter's degree from the University  
of Chicago, has recently been as-  
signed supervisor of the training  
school.

Immediately after receiving her  
degrees, Mrs. Snow taught in the  
grade schools. At the time of her  
marriage to Dr. C. C. Snow, phys-  
ical science head now, Mrs. Snow  
was teaching in the Normal at  
Puerta Rico.

Before coming here three years  
ago, Mrs. Snow taught methods of  
practice teaching, at the Oakland  
City College, Oakland City, Indiana.

### Dorcas Club Has First Meet Of Term

Members of the Dorcas Club met  
Saturday in the Home Ec dining  
room for the first time this year.  
Plans were made for the new mem-  
ber's jackets. Refreshments were  
served by Iva Farris and Mary Al-  
berta Ellis.

### Contest Will Close February 1; Open To Faculty Too

The Poetry Club has ann-  
ounced the opening of the third  
annual Poetry Contest to all  
students with exception of the  
regular Poetry Club members.

For the first time members of  
the faculty or anyone connected  
with the school, who likes poe-  
try are invited to submit poems.

This contest is sponsored by  
the Literary Society, under the  
sponsorship of Dean L. C. Sears  
and is for the purpose of creat-  
ing more interest in fine writ-  
ing and poetry.

Closing date has been set for  
February 1, 1940 and works of any  
interested will be accepted any time  
until then. All entrants should sub-  
mit a poem with the name enclosed  
in an envelope to prevent identifi-  
cation until after the poems have  
been properly criticised and judged.  
Envelopes may be addressed to Ma-  
bel Dean McDaniel, president of the  
Club, or Kern Sears, secretary-  
treasurer. The works submitted will  
be judged by members of the Poe-  
try Club.

Winner of the contest will re-  
ceive an invitation to become a  
member of the Poetry Club at the  
beginning of the next school year.  
Membership in the club is closed  
now as work on the publication  
has already begun.

"The Harding Book of Under-  
Graduate Verse," which is published  
by the Poetry Club, will be first  
prize and second prize award has  
not been decided upon as yet. The  
winning poem will be included in  
the book of verse, published in the  
spring.

With publication of their annual  
book in the spring, the club is plan-  
ning on getting it copyrighted upon  
appearance.

Eunice Turner, graduate of last  
year, was the winner in the contest  
last year. Sidney Hooper, also a  
graduate, won second place. Here is  
Miss Turner's winning poem;

"Lines On The Philosophy of Life"

Through all the ages men with  
doubts are found;

What, in this universe are we, they  
cry?

All the philosophers this cry  
resound.

Montaigne, with doubtful fears  
made one reply;

He did not say, "I know," but "What  
know I?"

More boldly still, Descartes e'en  
dared insist:

"I think, therefore I am." To truth  
'tis nigh—

But let's to wise Pascal one mo-  
ment list;

"I nothing am, my God is all."  
Thou hast not missed.

—Eunice Turner



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## LETTER TO CLINTON DAVIDSON

Dr. Clinton Davidson,  
New York, N. Y.  
Dear Dr. Davidson:

In a recent open letter in The Bison, Dr. Benson emphasized the tremendous part you had played in Harding's great financial campaign which so recently culminated in the burning of the mortgage against the school. We have known all along that you were helping us a great deal, but we did not fully realize just how much it was until we read Dr. Benson's letter.

You have been with us enough to know how very dear Harding is to the hearts of all of us, so you undoubtedly can realize in far better measure than we can express, our gratitude to you. For years we have looked forward to seeing our Alma Mater free from debt and secure in a nendowment. Thanksgiving Day we saw the first of these goals accomplished. It was that day that brought more happiness to us than any day since we have been here. And we realize that more than anyone else on earth except our own president, we have you to thank for it.

We appreciate to the fullest your work, the connections you have made, and your donations, and we want to take this opportunity to thank you, through The Bison, for it all. And we know that hundreds of other friends of the college although not students, will join heartily with us in saying "Thank you, Dr. Davidson."

Sincerely,

THE STUDENTS

## CLAPPING IN CHAPEL

A wise man once said that there is a time for all things. And surely in the application of this philosophy, the greatest of discretion should be used in cheering, or refraining from cheering, or certain occasions. Particular reference is made here, of course, to the conduct of the students body in chapel services.

Since the nature of every chapel program is not the same, it is important that the student body learn to clap and when not to clap. If the program is purely for entertainment, or if it assumes the nature of a rally, certainly cheering is prefectly in order. Even an expression from the audience with regard to its attitude toward a speaker's remarks is proper if they are of a secular nature.

But there are times when cheering and clapping are completely out of place. After a spiritual and inspirational speech, such as Bro. Armstrong and others very often deliver, it is as much our of order to clap as it would be to cheer after a sermon. The spirit and effect of the talk is weakened if not destroyed by such an outburst of applause. Religious atmosphere is better retained in quietness than in noisy cheering and clapping.

Clapping in its place is fine, but out of its place it is an indication of poor taste and poor judgment

# WHOOZINIT



BY

P. MCGILL

SOME OF THE BOYS HAVE BEEN ASKING about Marjorie Lynch. We told them she was a steady and not interested, but someone happened to question her and she replied, "Tell them I'm not wearing a ring." WOW!! What are we waiting for, men?.....  
..SAY, JERRY, YOU CAN TELL ME all about boat rides if you wanta, or maybe I can get someone who might be interested. Incidentally, "Jerrfair" says that she hasn't given up yet in a discussion of matrimonial states as yet. Atta gal, never say dye.....  
UNCIE LENNY KIRK IS TAKING THE IDEA of getting married seriously since some of the boys have suggested that they need a house mother. He wouldn't have to go very far to get one, I'm thinking.....  
..LADY ELAINE, HAVE YOU SUDDENLY TAKEN a fancy to photography or in someone who has a fancy in photography? At any rate she was seen reading photography magazines. ....AHA! ANOTHER BRAGGARD!! JEWELL BLACKBURN, lofty senior, made the remark that this was her fourth year at Harding and she has never been in this column of unwanted publicity. Climb down, Jewell.....  
WONDER WHEN GORMAN IS gonna make up his mind as to which one it will be?.....MRS. THORNTON HAS TURNED "Promotor of Love Affairs" in the dining hall. Recently she advised Evelyn Ches-shir and Eva Jo Brown how to hook Virgil Bentley but it all turned out to be an embarrassing situation for the gals when Dr. Benson caught them in the act scattering egg shells on "Non-courting" Bentley's store-room floor.....WHAT A COINCIDENCE THAT L. R. W. Stands for Leroy Weeks and Leland Water's names.....PET NAMES OF THE WEEK...  
"Chic" Keckley...."Peacemaker" Weeks...."Snookums" Ellis .... PRIZE DATES OF THE WEEK ARE.... Milton Poole and Mary Starnes .... Buck Harris and Norma Marcus .... Bill Stokes and "Rusty" Seimers .... Lowell Farmer and Annette Bean .... Ralph Stirman and Barbara Keeler.....  
FLASH!! THE WILSON-GRAGG case has reached the "stone age." ....BY THE WAY, since stones are the subject, Charline Bergner and Reddie Bridges really compared rocks while the latter was visiting here.

# Meditations

MABLE DEAN McDONIEL

(Editor's Note)—Miss McDaniel's column was written while she was ill with an attack of the influenza, thus causing the meditations concerning sickness. Even though ill, Miss McDaniel's column was in ahead of the "deadline."

One of the Poetry Clubbers wrote this interesting bit of philosophy and it is worth being read by others:

"I started for a little fling at life.  
Some saw my start  
And said I'd best not go  
I did  
Somehow,  
I wished I hadn't now."

I liked the thought of the week idea on the radio program. Even little things such as that adds variety and that is what we need.

Some days were made for people to sleep. Did you ever awaken in the late morning and listen lazily to th rain as it beat a tattoo on your roof, stretch, pull the covers tighter, turn over and sleep again? Or are you, when you awake, through with sleep and wake to live?

Since the term has begun the weather has been ideal for colds and flu. My advice is if it comes your way—stop everything,, go to bed, get it over—then you will feel more like doing something. I tried to wear mine out but it ws not to be defeated—succumb to the dose and it won't be nearly so distasteful.

Anyone who plans to write should take Journalism. It is one of the most interesting courses in practical writing that could be taken. Any study of newspaper work is fascinating.

Sick for a day:

The walls stare at me,  
I know every crack and figure.  
I know every noise and footstep.  
The clock ticks and strikes every half-hour.  
I do not count the hours.  
They never pass quickly enough.  
My mind flits from yesterday to tomorrow.  
I see the world go on without me—just as smoothly.  
Perhaps a trifle smoother than it did before.  
Everyone that passes seems so gay.  
I wonder if they ever felt as I do now.  
Or I wonder if I'll ever feel that well again.

# With Other Colleges

BY L. D. FRASHIER

College home economics teachers held an all-day meeting at Arkansas State Teachers College last Saturday

Air-speedster Roscoe Turner has charge of the aeronautics course at Butler University.

There is a glacier in Greenland named after Cornell University.

"The Hitching Post" is the name of the new date bureau on the University of Kentucky campus.

For the first time in 2 years, Union college this fall had an undefeated football team.

Sitting on the floor during intermission is a new Alabama custom. The cleaning and pressing agents down there are almost as smart as the group that started the annual freshman-sophomore mud-fights.

Texas Technological College has established an art-lending library where students may rent pictures to hang on the wals of dormitory rooms.

Playright Maxwell Anderson edited the University of North Dakota yearbook in 1912.

The University of Houston has 2,200 students and only two buildings.

Princeton University was the first school to abolish rules requiring attendance at classes.

Coach Fred Thompson has served as head coach of the University of Arkansas for eleven years. This is longer than any other coach has held the position.

## SCRAPS

These four lines  
That look so solemn  
Were just put here  
To fill this column.  
—Arkansas State College Herald

It's nice to live in a country where the only pacts we have to think about are compacts.

—The Driller

"Are you fishing?"

"Naw, just drowning the worms."

# ALUMNI ECHOES

BY J. P. THORNTON

**O. P. BAIRD**, '36, of Alexandria, Tennessee, is preaching and working to build up the Church of Christ at Wilmington, North Carolina. **O. P.** was a member of the Sub T-16 Club, the Press Club, the Tennessee Club, he was a student preacher and class editor of the Petit Jean.

**AUBREY MILLER**, ex '37, is teaching in high school at Wilburn, Arkansas. He is a brother of Hale and Mabrey who are attending Harding this year.

**KATHLEEN LANGFORD**, '38, is teaching in the Henderson Elementary School at Henderson, Texas. While at Harding she was for two years president of the O. G. Club, secretary-treasurer of the Texas Club, a member of the Dramatic Club, a Campus Player, and Snap-Shot editor of the Jetit Jean.

**ARDATH BROWN**, ex'38, is attending David Lipscomb College. While at Harding she was an academy student and a member of the mixed chorus.

**ROBERT BROWN**, ex'38, is attending Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, where he is studying in the field of medicine. While at Harding he was a member of the mixed chorus, the Lambda Sigma Club, the track team, and the tennis team. Robert's and Ardath's parents are missionaries in South Africa.

**CLAUDIA ROSENBAUM**, '37, is teaching in high school at Saratoga, Arkansas. Claudia was a member of the Press Club, coeditor of The Bison, assistant editor of the Petit Jean, president of the Las Compan-eras Club, best all 'round girl in 1937, and a student teacher.

# Fragments . . .

We had to fire  
Our housemaid Nan  
She treated China  
Like Japan.

When you come to think of it nature is wonderful. A million years ago she didn't know we were going to wear spectacles, but look at the way she placed our ears.

Thought of the week:

The dog is man's best friend. If you keep a dog there's never anything neft for hash.

This snow reminds me of the little girl who came running to her mother and said, "Mother, I know what snow is. It's popped hail stones."

It seems to me that a lot of pity is wasted on animals. There are

many contented cows but who ever saw a contented farmer.

There's a bright side to everything  
But it gives no joy or glee  
To see the shine upon the suit  
I've worn the last years three.

And talking about shining the only way some people have of shining in society is by their suits.

To console those who can't get a tall man.

'Tis better to have loved a small man  
Than never to have loved a tall!

A Senior's Plea!

Everyone get busy writing poetry and orations for the contests. Let's make these contests a big success this year!

# Spirit Of Christ

Conducted by

S. F. TIMMERMAN

## WOMANHOOD

Mabel Dean McDaniel

Much has been said concerning manhood, yet seldom do we hear woman exalted or her position mentioned.

Women have occupied many different positions since her creation in Eden. She has been abused, slave-driven, worshipped, and scorned. Yet, all along her place has been one of supreme importance. Without her man could not long exist. Without her there could be no home—for a mother is the center about which a home radiates.

When we think of the great women of the past a few outstanding ones come quickly to our minds—the Bible women: Eve, the first woman—Sarah, the wife of Abraham, mother of the Israelites, God's chosen people—Naomi and Ruth, whose love for Jehovah was above all else—Hannah, the mother of Sameul—and the crowning of all motherhood by the birth of Jesus through Mary, a devout, pure Jewish girl. Not great are these women perhaps as the world counts greatness—but good as God sees goodness.

Some women are remembered a while for selfish deeds, but such greatness is doomed. Having nothing on which to draw, it is short-lived. Only those deeds that in some way help humanity or sets forth the spirit of Christ are lasting.

Woman holds within her grasp the power to influence men for good or evil. Throughout the age motives—high motives—set forth by women have prompted men to perform stirring deeds. Ann Rutledge, with her high ideals, her pure and unselfish love for Abe Lincoln, inspired him long after her death. Florence Nightingale stands out to us, a pioneer in that field which offers to womanhood a profession that is both honorable and humane. Instead of sitting quietly at home waiting for the appearance of her English lord, she watched to discover her place of usefulness and service in caring for the sick.

Seldom perhaps has the world been given a more impressive example of a great mind in a fragile body, a soul which rose superior to all that sought to confine it, than that offered by Elizabeth Barrett Browning. Mrs. Browning's great poetry arose from her great physical suffering and her great spiritual strength to overcome it. There are scores of others that might portray some outstanding characteristic of womanhood for us—yet if all were listed, what a small list it would seem placed side by side with the millions of names that represent our famous men!

But stopping to think again—how many of the men would have been famous had it not been for the faith and encouragement given by some woman?

The last twenty-two verses of the Proverbs of Solomon list some of

the noblest graces a woman might possess—beginning, "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies." Through the passage he lists, as attributes: trustworthiness, industry, thrift, capability, energy, system, acquisitiveness, physical strength, appreciation of quality, watchfulness, skill, charity, preparedness, forethought, appreciation of beauty, dignity, contentment, wisdom, kindness, and spirituality.

He closes with: "Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who loveth the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands and let her own works praise her in the gates."

# Backstage

BY EARL STOVER

Sometime ago BACKSTAGE carried an item about the starting of a campaign to raise funds for a recording machine for Harding. In the same manner that a commercial reporter follows up a big story, so shall I follow the progress of this campaign, because I feel that the purchase of such a machine would be an asset of great value to all of us.

The campaign has the support of Mr. Kirk, Miss Jewell, and the organizations with which they work, as well as that of President Benson and the entire faculty.

The first actual step toward the procuring of the necessary funds was made by Mrs. Armstrong, who is directing a play "The Rank Outsiders" for that purpose. The play has been given as a lyceum number in years past. The casting has been completed and the first complete rehearsal held last Tuesday. Since all the members of the cast are busy, it is planed to take enough time before presentation to prepare the play thoroughly. For this reason no date has been set as yet and announcement of it will be made later. Watch for it.

It may seem somewhat late to mention it, but the Mu Etta Adelpians' chapel program was excellent. With the Mu Etta Adelpians as an example for the girls and the Sub-T's program before Christmas for the boys, why don't some of the other clubs use the Saturday morning chapel periods for similar playlets or skits? It is not only entertaining for the students but adds prestige to the clubs.

# Poetry Corner

BY VIRGIL BENTLEY

## GHOST TREES

By Ralph Stirman

Tall trees, grayed by the fog,  
Marched back into the distance,  
Each one behhid, growing grayer,  
Marching out of existance  
Until, vanishing in the gloom,  
They pass from this earth  
Growing paler and paler  
Until they leave in ghostly death.



## SOCIAL NEWS

VERLE CRAVER — EDITOR

### President Benson Honored By Faculty Members Saturday

In appreciation of the excellent work which Dr. George S. Benson has done in ridding Harding College of her indebtedness, he was honored with a surprise banquet Saturday night at six o'clock at the Mayfair Hotel by faculty members and officials of the school.

As a centerpiece a pot plant of cycalem banked in ivy was used. Ivy also trailed from the centerpiece the entire length of the table. The place cards were hand painted by Mrs. Maxie T. McCullough.

Professor B. F. Rhodes, head of the history department acted as toastmaster and introduced the program which was as follows: baritone solo "Sylvia" by William Laas, accompanied by Claude Guthrie, and a piano solo "Donizette" by Miss Mary Ann Elliott.

Following the program responses were made by Dr. J. N. Armstrong; Dean of Bible, Mrs. Florence Cathcart; Dean of Women, Mr. Herbert Dawson; president of the board, Dr. Carl Gardner; head of the education department, Mrs. Florence Jewell; voice department, Mrs. O. M. Coleman and Mrs. J. N. Armstrong; speech department, Mr. Edwin Berryhill; head of athletic department, Mr. Edwin Hughes; principal of the academy, Mrs. S. A. Bell; head of the Home Economics department, Dr. C. C. Snow, Dr. C. E. Abbott, of the Science department and outstanding among the responses was an original ode written and dedicated to Dr. Benson by Prof. John Lee Dykes, head of the mathematics department.

Those attending other than the above mentioned were as follows: Mrs. C. E. Abbott, Miss Mary McKittrick, Mrs. J. P. Thornton, Miss Catherine Score, Mr. O. M. Coleman, Miss Juanita Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Neil B. Cope, Mr. L. E. Pryor, Mrs. E. A. Berryhill and Mr. E. W. Gibson.

Mrs. C. C. Snow, Mrs. John Lee Dykes, Mr. William Sanders, Mr. S. A. Bell, Mrs. Edwin Hughes, Mrs. Herbert Dawson, Mrs. A. B. Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stapleton, Miss Fern Hollar, Miss Pauline Owen, and Mrs. George Benson.

### Girls' Clubs Have Regular Meetings Saturday Evening

GATA

At the regular meeting of the GATA Club plans for the annual banquet on February 13 were made. Committees selected were: Decoration: Dorothy Baker, chairman; Ruth Langford, Teddie Murphy, Wilma Collins. Invitations: Barbara Keeler, chairman; Mary Charlotte Bates, Mary Dell Williams. Program: Myrene Williams, chairman; Verle Craver, Esther Harner, Odean Floyd. Food: Frances Novak, chairman; Esther Maple.

Hostesses Wilma Collins, Barbara Keeler, and Frances Novak served delicious refreshments at the close of the meeting.

W. H. C.

Members of the W. H. C. Club were entertained Saturday night by Virginia and Nell O'Neal and Juanita Seimers. During the business meeting future plans were discussed and the following officers were elected: president, Edith Landiss; vice-president, Virginia O'Neal; secretary, Frances Williamson; reporter, Louise Nicholas. Delicious refreshments were served in conclusion.

Dr. and Mrs. George S. Benson and children, Lois and Ruth, and Johnie Greenway went to Paragould Sunday for the day.

L. C.

The L. C.'s were entertained Saturday night by Josephine Stewart and Connie Ford. After the business meeting the members were served refreshments.

JU GO JU

Charlene and Betty Bergner entertained the Ju Go Ju Club with a Topsy Turvy Party at their regular meeting Saturday night.

During the business meeting plans for the annual valentine banquet February 10 at the Mayfair Hotel were made. The following committees were appointed: Decoration, Margaret Mills, Violet Nicholson, Iva Farris, Elizabeth Arnold, and Mary Etta Langston; Program, Lillian Walden, Betty Bergner, Blonnie Fitzgerald and Edna Adams; Invitation, Roberta Walden, Edith Lentz and Mary Alberta Ellis.

After the business meeting was over several games were played and refreshments were served.

### R.F.C. Club Elects Officers

At a meeting Saturday night, the R. F. C. Club elected officers for the winter term.

Dorothy Brown was re-elected president; Ruby Hall was elected secretary-treasurer; and Bonnie Sue in the near future.

Plans were discussed for a social in the near future.

PERSONALS

Miss Avanelle Elliott from Pine Bluff was a week-end visitor of Margaret Alston.

Fletcher Floyd has gone to Altus, Oklahoma to assist in a meeting by leading singing.

Don Melton and Frank Lee spent the week-end at their homes in North Little Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McDaniels of North Little Rock visited their daughter Virginia, Sunday.

Teddie Murphy and Elizabeth Arnold spent Sunday and Monday at their home in Little Rock.

### Kitchen Club Entertains With Theater Party

"We Are Not Alone," starring Paul Muni, was attended by several members of the Kitchen Club and their dates last Thursday night.

Those attending were Don Healy and Frances Novak, Jo Sullivan and Reese Walton, Houstin Itin and Dorothy Hinds, Orvid Mason and Juanita Seimers, Helen Snow, Marguerite O'Banion, John Mason and Wylene Chapman, Jack Lay and Mary Dell Williams, Thomas Ward and Helen Hughes, Lourelia Whitten and Dewey Word, Opal Turner and Douglas Harris, Pauline Johnson and Ralph Scruggs, Louise Nicholas and Clifton Ganus.

Mrs. Chandler chaperoned the group.

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### Jupiter Pluvius Goes On Rampage And The Campus Blossoms With Cellophane

During the recent period of foul weather one could observe a great variety of articles of dress designed

to prevent the wearers person from becoming saturated while meandering around in a rain storm. Strictly speaking, newspapers worn as bonnets, umbrellas, inverted coal scuttles and typing books fall into this category. Although not absolutely impervious they do succeed in preventing those little droplets from tripping merrily down your neck. However the particular type of wet-weather costume alluded to was the unromantic, yet indispensable rain cloak, (the feminine form of the noun is made by substituting the suffix, cape)

It is these latter shower-shedders which can be seen so profusely scattered about on days when the

heavens are weeping. (Plagiarized from meditations.)

Some of the gals come skipping (puddles) across the campus done up in cellophane from head to toe faintly reminiscent of a christmas-time toy shop. One wonders at the absence of ribbon. Others emerge from Pattie Cobb fitted with elongated hoods to shelter their curls, suggestive of rain drenched elves.

The noise made by this chorus of over-size gum wrappers defies description, embodying some of the swish of a scrubbing mop and a large portion of the crackle from a bowl of rice krispies. These transparent moisture diverters seem to say: "Pitter Patter, Pitter Patter, it looks like rain."

"Crackle Crackle, Crackle Crackle, You're not our bane."

### Mixed Chorus To Broadcast This Afternoon

The Mixed Chorus will have charge if the weekly college radio program this afternoon from 4:00 to 4:30.

Under the direction of Professor Leonard Kirk, the group will sing several religious hymns and give the origination or story of each hymn.

Songs to be sung are "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah," "It Is Well With My Soul," "Holy, Holy, Holy," "My Jesus As Thou Wilt," "Art Thou Weary, Art Thou Languid," and "O Could I Speak The Matchless Worth."

Sponsored by The Bison, Don Bentley, business manager, will give a brief news flash concerning activities on the campus.

Announcer for the program has not been selected.

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### Hancock Wins Picture Contest

"Architecture" was the theme of the Photography Club picture contest for December. First prize was awarded Gene Hancock for his picture entitled "Strength", an angle shot of a pillar of the girls' dormitory taken with a Leica. Prof. Cope's picture "Barnyard Sunrise" won second place, "Campus Memories" by Mr. Howk captured third place, and Quentin Gateley's "Deserted Chapel" was fourth.

The subject of the January contest is "Still Life."

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## THIS WEEK'S

By MARIE BRANNEN

What is your favorite column in The Bison?

Vernice Burford—Sports.

Violet Nicholson—Sports.

Louise Moore—Scandal.

Evelyn Chesshir—Society.

Wylene Chapman—Gossip.

Maude Emma Webb—Scandal.

Mary Starnes—Scraps.

Lola Harp—Whoozinit.

Eva Thompson—Meditations.

"Puny" Bailey—Scandal.

Foy O'Neal—Laundry Ad.

Bill Laas—I'm not particular.

Vernon Boyd—With Other Colleges.

Lee Farris—Whoozinit.

Doug Harris—The "Ears".

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### Armstrong Speaks On Sunday Radio

Continuing the subject which he spoke on last week "A Systematic Study of the Bible," Dr. Armstrong spoke on the Sunday radio broadcast. Directed by Maurice Hinds, the hymn singers sang three selections and Floyd Chubb led in prayer. Professor Ray Stapleton announced the program.

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# BISON SPORTS

By EXCELL BERRYHILL

## BASKETBALL

There happens to be just one more week of basketball and then we take up volley ball. The four weeks that we have spent in basketball has brought out some good material that some schools would like to have. One among the best in this number is Jack Lay. Last year Jack played on the varsity and with that one year of college playing he has shown much improvement in his floor work. Another is Gorman Wilks, one of the best centers on the local court and is capable of making his part of his teams points. Along with these two there are several more that deserve mention. Bill Bell, Wayne Smethers, Robert Yingling, and Buck Harris. It looks like the Sophs have just about got the championship clinched at that with their win over the second place juniors last week. In their last game the Sophs showed one of the best team floor work that has been displayed thus far this season. They seemed to be able to score at will and also have an easy time in holding their opponents down. Sickness has played a big part in the wins and losses during the past week but those that are sick are expected to be back in the line-up this week. Since this is the last week come out and support your team. The girls have had their fun along with their disappointments. With some practice several of the girls wouldn't have such a hard time making some of the girl teams in this state.

## HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

There is also an increase in the high school basketball teams since they have obtained a coach, Elvin "Blackie" Berryhill. "Blackie" has been giving them plenty of work to do along with about four games every week, and the teams have

shown lots of improvements although there isn't much material through which to work with. Regardless of this fact there will be several that will make good material in a few more years, after they have had more experience and are fully matured. I think that they are having more fun and getting more good out of their playing now than they have ever in the past. Some of the boys still have their eyes on that gym hockey championship, but I can tell them right now that they had better stay with their basketball, more fun.

## INDOOR BALL

A very complicated game this indoor ball happens to be. You have to be able to place the ball to a certain place or you will be out, or it will be called a foul ball. If you have ever tried to hit a ball at full speed with a bat not over eighteen inches long, will you can see how hard it is to connect and place them where you want them. This happens to be one of the games that the Physical Education classes are giving this term and they should have some mention in the different kinds of activities that they are giving so that they can interest others in what they are doing for those who participate.

## THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Juniors vs Frosh ..... Tues. 7:15  
Sophs vs Frosh ..... Wed. 4:15  
Seniors vs Juniors .... Thurs. 7:15  
Frosh vs Seniors ..... Fri. 4:15  
Juniors vs Sophs ..... Sat. 7:15

## TEAM STANDINGS

NAME	W	L	PCT
Sophs	6	1	.857
Juniors	4	2	.666
Seniors	2	4	.334
Frosh	0	5	.000

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## Seniors Drop From Race, As Team Takes To Bed

Pushing ahead to their fourth victory, the Sophs smothered the Frosh 60 to 11.

The Sophs played one of the best and fastest games that they have played this season. Their shots were accurate and they were very successful in taking the ball on follow-ups. Good floor work and most of the Sophs tallies. It was almost impossible for the Frosh to break through the defense of the Sophs.

Wilks took scoring honors for the Sophs, making 13 points. Coggins and Hollis made four each for the Frosh.

**Sophs (60) Pos. (11) Frosh**  
Yingling (8) F Keller  
Smethers (12) F Hollis  
Wilks (13) C (2) Buffington  
Green (1) G Bailey  
Lay (12) G (5) Coggins  
Summary—Fouls: Sophs 8, Frosh 12; Substitutions: Sophs—Gateley, Stevens (10), Bennett (4); Frosh—Farris (4), Timer, B. Berryhill. Referees, Proyor and Cochran. Scorer: E. Berryhill.

## SOPHS UPSET JUNIORS

In the fastest and hardest fought game ever to be played in the Harding Gym, the Sophomores outplayed the Juniors 37 to 28.

The first half was very exciting with one team in the lead and then the other. At the end of the first quarter the score was 6 to 5 in favor of the Sophs. The second quarter saw a saw about and terminated with the Juniors leading 12 to 11.

Coming back with a rally in the last half, the Sophomores turned on the steam and chalked up an eight point lead that they held until the final whistle blew.

Stevens captured high point honors with 12. Spencer and Bell each scored eight points for the losers. Jack Lay played an outstanding defensive game for the Sophs.

**Sophs (37) Pos. (28) Juniors**  
Smethers (6) F (8) Bell  
Yingling (8) F (3) Pryor  
Wilks (6) C (8) Spencer

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## Sophs Win From Juniors

Lay (5) G (2) Hopper  
Stevens (12) G (6) B. Berryhill  
Summary—Substitutions: Sophs, Bennett; Juniors, Greenway (1). Fouls: Sophs 12, Juniors 9. Timer: Buffington. Scorer: D. Harris. Referees: B. Harris and Berryhill.

## JUNIORS SMOTHER SENIORS

Threatening the first place Sophs, the Juniors ran up the highest score of the current season by defeating the weakened Seniors 74 to 20.

With the absence of Hugh Rhodes and Captain Ehl, the Seniors were almost helpless in the hands of the Juniors. The Juniors took the lead in the beginning of the game and never were in danger. The Juniors really had their eyes on the basket and their hands on the ball. They rallied in the final quarter and scored 31 points. Their shots rolled in from every place on the floor.

Bell took the individual scoring honors by accounting for 22 points. Flannery took Seniors honors with 8 points.

**Seniors (20) Pos. (74) Juniors**  
Flannery (8) F Hopper  
B. Harris (2) F (2) Cochran  
Itin (2) C (20) Spencer  
Sears (4) G (14) B. Berryhill  
D. Harris (3) G Landrum  
Substitutions—Seniors, Baker (1), Juniors, Greenway (5), Pryor (11), Bell (22). Fouls: Seniors 16, Juniors 10. Timer Berryhill. Scorer E. Berryhill. Referee: Lay.

## SOPHS OVERPOWER SENIORS

Upholding their record of only one defeat, the Sophomores captured another victory by swamping the Seniors 73 to 21.

The weakened Seniors again found themselves helpless in the hands of the first place Sophomores. Every Soph scored at random being led by Captain Lay, who scored twenty points. Starting a fast game the Sophs were never in danger. Smethers was not far behind Lay with eighteen points. Sears was high point man for the Seniors.

**Seniors (21) Pos. (73) Sophs**  
B. Harris (4) F (12) Yingling  
Baker (4) F (18) Smethers  
Itin C (13) Wilks  
D. Harris (4) G (10) Stevens  
Sears (5) G (20) Lay

Summary—Substitutions: Seniors—Wilson (4). Sophs—Green. Fouls: Seniors 12. Sophs 10. Referee: Bell. Timer: B. Berryhill. Scorer: Ex Berryhill.

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## Searcy Lions Win Two Games But Lose To Beebe

The Searcy High School Lions won two and lost one in the three game schedule last week.

Tuesday night the Lions nosed out the Judsonia quintet 25 to 24 after Red Cole made good two free throws in the final minutes. The two teams matched goal for goal throughout the game and the lead alternated continually.

Guy Davis, big Searcy guard, played a good game for the Lions. Searcy led at the half mark 12 to 11.

Friday night the Lions took a sound beating from the strong Beebe Badgers at Beebe. The score, 50 to 33, didn't indicate the strength of the Badger's line-up, since one of their star forwards was absent.

The Lions held the taller opponents in check through the first half, but soon saw their chance for victory dwindle as the Beebe pivot plays began to click.

Forced to score from the field the Lions never had a chance to work some of their snappy plays under the basket. Young, big center for the Badgers, led the winners with 14 points. Mask and Carter, other Beebe stars scored 12 and 10 points respectively.

Guy Davis, Searcy guard, was the whole show for the Lions, making 13 points after having two men guarding throughout and having three fouls on him for three quarters of the game.

Saturday night at Marianna the Searcy quintet won an impressive game from the Marianna cagers by a score of 43 to 28.

The Lions had little trouble in downing this White River Valley Conference foe after taking a beating from Beebe.

To say that one man starred in this game would be wrong, because every man did his share of the scoring and defensive work. Two Searcy men, Aclin and Troxell, scored eight points each to lead the Lions. Higginbotham, Marianna guard, led the scoring with nine points. Reynolds, Davis and Hilger played good games for the Lions.

Score at the half was 18 to 13, with Searcy leading.

This week the Lions journey to Bauxite to play the high school cagers there Tuesday night. A home game is scheduled for Friday night with Beebe.

## Pirates Leading In Girl's Basketball With Two Wins

Last week the girls' intramural basketball got into full swing. It seems that the girls are more interested in basketball than any previous intramural sport. Illness has handicapped the teams somewhat, but most of the girls will return to their teams this week.

The Pirates captained by Vernice Burford is leading the league with two wins against no defeats. The sure shots of Eva Thompson has been the power of the pirates. Holding second place in the Chieftains with one win against one set back.

These games are amusing to watch especially when Cora Morris shoots a foul for the opposing team and Valda finds trouble in stopping. Verle Craver keeps her forwards on the alert by continuous talking to them. See the next game at 4:15 this afternoon.

## STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Average
Pirates .....	2	0	1.000
Chieftiens ....	1	1	.500
Baskerteers ..	0	1	.000
Phantoms ....	0	1	.000

## "Blackie" Berryhill New Prep Coach

"Blackie" Berryhill is doing a nice job with the academy boys. One game has already been played and another is scheduled for Thursday night. "Blackie" says that some of the boys are failing to report which causes a few difficulties.

Saturday night the Blacks defeated the Reds 19-14. Hall was the high point man. It was a hard fought game but Hall's long shots determined the winner.

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